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CASE NO. NOTES:	12-17551 Protest at Mardi Gras Casino

Location:	831 North Federal Highway Hallandale Beach Florida
	<p>On this date, between 1800 and 2100 Hours, a planned protest took place at the Mardi Gras Casino located at 831 North Federal Highway. The Hallandale Beach Police Department was aware of the protest after being notified by the event organizers. Officers were staged at the west entrance of the establishment where the protesters planned to gather. Moments later, some of the protesters entered the parking lot and blocked the west entrance in order to prevent patrons from gaining access to the facility. After being warned that they were trespassing by an agent of the casino, some of the protesters were then individually warned again by officers and refusal to leave the premises would result in an arrest. A few of the protesters refused to leave and were placed under arrest without incident. After the arrests, the rest protesters left the premises and order was restored.</p> <p>#####</p>